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Applicants: N. EIDEN, et al.

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For: ILLUMINATED COVERS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington DC 20231

November 21, 2001

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend this application as follows:

In the specification:

Please cancel the original specification and substitute the substitute specification submitted herewith.

In the claims:

[Please amend the claims to read as follows:]

[Please amend claim 1 as follows:]

- Sub B1
1. (Amended) A decorative cover having a predetermined shape, said decorative cover comprising:
- a thin, rigid support base shaped in accordance with the predetermined shape;
  - an electroluminescent foil overlying said support base; and
  - a first insulating foil overlying said electroluminescent foil; wherein said support base has a first opening therethrough for insertion of an electrical connector to connect said electroluminescent foil to an electrical power source so as to provide power to said electroluminescent foil; and